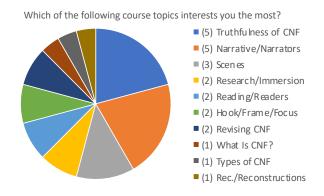
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genre

Classical genres	contemporary genres
lyric	poetry
epic	fiction
drama	drama
-	creative non- fiction

- French for a "type," "species," or "class" of composition
- a recognizable and established category of written work employing specific literary conventions
 - convention: an established practice adopted in literary works by implicit agreement or precedent
- many genres can be further subdivided into subgenres and sub-subgenres (Baldick 75, 150)

Defining Creative Non-Fiction





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← Creative Non-Fiction as a Hybrid Genre

creative non-fiction creative non-fiction

- · the use of literary craft
- the use some of the techniques of poets, playwrights, and writers of fiction
- to produce writing that is compelling, vivid, and dramatic
- to enthral the reader (Gutkind 6)
- has few established rules and conventions
- must be verifiably true
- must be imaginative, but must not make anything up

☐ Marjorie Doyle, "Bridging Troubled Waters"



... what is coveted, needed, is US cash. I strolled into a dollar store where the only accepted currency is American dollars. The Cuban peseta no existe inside these four walls.... I ... thought of the American one dollar bills I had handed out as tips. How long would it take for the waiter in my resort—who's really an unemployed vet—to ... buy a bicycle, much needed for the long hot journeys to and from work? A mountain of one dollar bills looms in my mind. (292)

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☐ Susan Glickman, "Found Money"



In 1973 I was living in Athens, nominally studying archaeology but more importantly falling in love. Falling in love with Greece, with travel, with freedom and with my own youth—until then, a rather weedy thing, solitary, ink-stained and derivative, lurking in libraries plotting the perfect term paper, but now striding along in dusty sandals declaiming poetry, plucking fresh figs and pomegranates from roadside trees, bargaining with fishermen for octopus pink and transparent as silk, and generally feeling immortal. (297)

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